


**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s) : Tetsu SHIGETOMI et al.  
Serial No. : 10/081,973  
For : INFORMATION REPRODUCING APPARATUS  
AND METHOD OF SAME  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FILED WITH  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Sir:

The following amendment is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination and is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed March 17, 2009 and the Advisory Action mailed May 27, 2009. Prior to continued examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.